

## Gardening, Fun and Fireworks at Spring Spectacular

**Spring Spectacular** is a free festival with something for everyone on **Sat., April 8, 2006, from 4 to 8 p.m.** The event includes a Home and Garden show featuring some of the Valley's best outdoor design companies and a spectacular fireworks display in the cool spring weather!

There will be exhibits showing the latest trends for the home and free cooking demonstrations by Mad Coyote Joe from Channel 15's *"The Sonoran Grill."* There will also be a Food Court and a Farmers Market with a variety of vendors selling scrumptious goodies and merchandise.

Country band, *"Novella Bentley"* will entertain the crowd all day as well as a Kid's Zone with activities, arts and crafts, rides and bouncers. An egg hunt for kids up to 10 years of age starts at 5 p.m.

The day concludes with a spectacular fireworks display at 7:40 p.m.

This free event takes place at Goodyear Community Park, 3151 N. Litchfield Rd.

More information is available by calling 623-882-7534.



**No need to wait until the 4th of July. Enjoy the fabulous fireworks display in the cool spring evening air at Spring Spectacular!**

## Goodyear Goes to Washington, D.C.



From left to right: Kelly Dalton; Councilmembers Fred Scott, Brenda Holland and Georgia Lord; Jerene Watson; and Councilmember Rob Antoniak.

A six-member delegation from the City of Goodyear traveled to our nation's capital to represent the City at the National League of Cities annual conference, March 11-15 and to do some lobbying on the City's behalf. The delegation was made up of **Councilmembers Rob Antoniak, Brenda Holland, Georgia Lord and Fred Scott**, along with Goodyear staff members **Kelly Dalton**, Mayor and Council Management Assistant, and **Jerene Watson**, Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison/Community Services Director.

Meetings in Washington included visits to the Capitol Hill offices of Senator Jon Kyl, Congressman Trent Franks, and Congressman Ed Pastor (who formerly represented Goodyear and remains a friend in Congress) to discuss financial assistance for Goodyear and the other Southwest Valley cities for the costs of accelerating the widening of I-10. These meetings were in follow-up to previous meetings Mayor Jim Cavanaugh and staff had with Senator John McCain, Kyl, Franks, Congressman Raul Grijalva and Pastor's staff. The Governor's State of Arizona federal relations staff was also contacted during the visit.

At a breakfast with Senators Kyl and McCain, Kyl repeated his commitment to obtain \$5 million in federal funds for the I-10 project. Both Congressmen Franks and Grijalva have also made identical requests in the House for aid to our Southwest Valley cities for this federal highway improvement.

At the conference, First Lady Laura Bush was the keynote speaker and our Goodyear contingent had the good fortune of being seated in the second row for this event.



**Mayor Jim Cavanaugh**

## Goodyear Brings Government to You

If you've heard about an issue that is coming before the City Council or the Planning Commission, you no longer have to go to the meeting to see what's going on. You can just view it on the internet from your home thanks to new software the City purchased that allows us to show streaming video on our website: [www.goodyearaz.gov](http://www.goodyearaz.gov). All you have to do is go to the homepage and click on "**Goodyear Connected.**"

On Monday evenings, you can now watch Goodyear Council Worksessions and Regular Meetings live or you can choose to watch an archived version anytime of the week that's more convenient to you. The same is true of Planning Commission meetings on the third Wednesday of each month. You will have to check on our website for specific date and times if you want to watch the meetings live. The March 20th Council Worksession and Regular Meeting were the first meetings we showed live.

According to our most recent Citizen Survey, more than 80 percent of our Goodyear households have internet access right in their own home. For the best viewing, you need to have cable, DSL or satellite internet connections. If you have dial-up internet with a 56K modem, you will be able to get audio, but the video will be very limited and choppy.

This software allows the City Clerk's Office to streamline its process of recording the minutes and allows them to publish the minutes with a mere click of a button within 24 hours of each meeting and at least a day earlier than before. The software adds a new look

and interactive format for the City Council and Planning Commission minutes and agendas on the website. It now has a great feature that allows you to click on various sections of the agenda or minutes so you can watch only the part you are interested in without having to watch the entire meeting.

With so many of our households having internet, we thought this service would give many of you an opportunity to see your government in action while enjoying the comfort of your own home. Or if you are out of town on business or vacation and are interested in an issue coming before Council or the Planning Commission, you can tune in wherever you are in the world.

Of course, if you wish to speak to an issue, you are invited to come to our meetings which are held at the Municipal Justice Building at 986 S. Litchfield Rd.

Whichever you choose – to come to a meeting, to watch it live or to watch an archived version – we're glad you are interested. Seeing Council and commissions in action is a great first step to getting involved in your government. We want and need your participation to make this a great city.

We are proud to be able to bring you this new form of communication via the internet – one of the most powerful communication tools that exists today. We hope you will take advantage of it and tune in. We're interested in how you feel about "**Goodyear Connected,**" so please e-mail Goodyear's webmaster ([webmaster@goodyearaz.gov](mailto:webmaster@goodyearaz.gov)) and let us know how you like it.

### Adult Softball Leagues

Adult Softball Summer Season begins June 4, 2006. Registration is Sat., April 22, 2006 from 12 to 2 p.m. at the Goodyear Community Center, 420 E. Loma Linda Blvd. Registration is based on team priority levels.

Late Registration runs Mon., April 24 - Fri., May 19, 2006 at Public Works, Recreation Division, 200 S. Calle Del Pueblo. Leagues are open until filled.

Anyone interested in getting on a softball team will have an opportunity to create their own team to play in the league by coming to the Goodyear Community Center, 420 E. Loma Linda Blvd. on Tues., April 18, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call Recreation & Aquatics at 623-882-7536.



### Live and Learn . . . Just for Fun!

Registration for Special Interest Summer classes begins May 1 and runs through May 31, 2006 with classes starting the week of June 5. Registration is at Goodyear Public Works, Recreation Division, 200 S. Calle Del Pueblo, or a form can be downloaded from the City of Goodyear website, [www.goodyearaz.gov](http://www.goodyearaz.gov). Payment may be made by check, cash (exact change), or money order. Space is limited and classes may be filled any time after May 1.

Classes include ABC & 123, Pre-School Drawing, Elementary Cartooning, Cheerleading, Belly Dancing, Ballet, Hip Hop Dancing, Dog Obedience, Gymnastics, Jewelry Making, Karate, Music for Tots, Stroller Strides and Tennis. For more information, call 623-882-7532.





### Goodyear City Council

Brenda Holland, Fred Scott, Vice Mayor Frank Cavalier,  
Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Dick Sousa, Rob Antoniak  
and Georgia Lord

## Council Calendar

**Monday, April 10, 2006**  
Work Session - 5 p.m.

**Monday, April 24, 2006**  
Work Session - 5 p.m.

**Monday, April 10, 2006**  
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

**Monday, April 24, 2006**  
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

**Monday, April 17, 2006**  
Work Session - 5 p.m.

**Monday, May 8, 2006**  
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

All Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Goodyear Justice Facility, 986 S. Litchfield Rd., unless indicated otherwise.

## Goodyear Bike Rodeo

Bicycle safety is a major issue facing our youth. The **Helmet Your Head Coalition** is trying to educate the public about the importance of wearing a bicycle helmet. The City of Goodyear will hold a Bike Rodeo on Sat., April 22nd in the City Hall parking lot, 190 N. Litchfield Rd. from 8 to 10 a.m. There will be an obstacle course, safety information and snow cones for all participants. There will also be a raffle for free bike helmets. For more information, call 623-882-7531.



## Water Saving Tips for Pools

Here comes swimming season, and here are a few tips:

- Cover the pool. This reduces the need to clean, prevents accidents and can save 95% of water lost to evaporation.
- Lower the temperature in heated pools to prevent evaporation, especially when the pool is not in use.
- Backwash only when necessary.
- Check regularly for cracks and leaks.
- Keep the pool and filters clean.
- Run filter backwash onto lawns and plants or collect water for reuse.
- Ensure that water is absorbed before it leaves your property and avoid allowing runoff to enter adjacent properties or the street.

## CAUTION - How to Deal with Coyotes in Our Urban Environment

Coyotes are curious, clever, and adaptable. They quickly learn to take advantage of any newly discovered food source, and are often attracted to yards with abundant fruit and wildlife to eat. Coyotes will eat pet food and knock over unsecured garbage cans, or may walk along the tops of walls around homes in search of unattended dogs and cats to eat. Coyotes may consider large or loud dogs to be a threat to their territory and become aggressive toward those dogs. Coyotes have lured free-roaming dogs away from their owners to attack, and bold coyotes may attack small dogs on retractable leashes.

### What attracts coyotes?

Coyotes may visit a home if they find food, water, or shelter.

- Food can include unattended pets, birds or rodents attracted to bird feeders, pet food, garbage, or fallen fruit.
- Water sources can include a pet's water bowl or a pool.
- Shelter can include a storm drain or any cave-like area beneath a shed or unused building.

### What should I do?

If you see a coyote near your home, don't ignore it. This may cause it to lose its natural fear of people, which can eventually lead to aggressive behavior.

### To discourage a coyote, immediately:

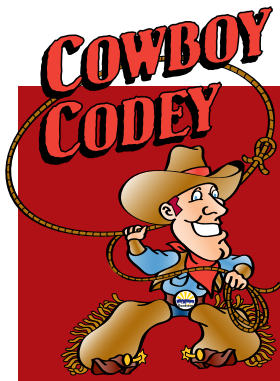
- Make loud noises, bang pots and pans or rattle empty cans with pebbles in it (coyote shaker).
- Wave your hands or objects like sticks.
- Throw small stones or cans.
- Spray the coyote with a hose.
- Use a commercial repellent like mace on bold animals that refuse to leave.



### To discourage a coyote from returning:

- Remove anything outside your home that may be attracting coyotes including garbage, pet food, water sources, and bird feeders that can attract animals for coyotes to eat.
- Secure garbage containers with lids. Place out on pickup day.
- Feed your pets inside, and never leave them unattended. If it's necessary to leave a small pet outside unattended, keep it in a sturdy enclosure with a roof.
- Keep poultry, rabbits, and rodents in secure enclosures.
- Trim and remove any ground-level shrubs and branches that provide hiding places for coyotes or their prey.
- Never feed coyotes.





## Cowboy Codey Sez . . .

### "Up to the curb is yours!"

Many residents have landscaping between the sidewalk and the street. In the newer developments these tend to be young, small trees that are easily damaged by the heavy winds that accompany monsoon season and in the more established communities the trees are bigger and sometimes have limbs that protrude into the street, causing vehicles to drive around low-hanging branches. This makes service activities such as street-sweeping difficult.

The Goodyear City Code Section 10-4-3 states "Any owner, or tenant shall maintain the property, including abutting public ways, up to the curb of streets (or edge of pavement where curbs are not present) and up to the center of abutting alleys, free of debris, trash and uncontrolled growth in excess of six inches in height. The owner, or tenant will also be responsible for all landscaping and irrigation systems including all areas between sidewalk and curb commonly referred to as right-of-way, whether public or private property. Repair of sidewalks within an easement or right-of-way along the property line shall be the responsibility of the city."

This means that the resident must maintain that area between the sidewalk and the curb as well as their own property. The City provides uncontained refuse pick-up once a week to every community to assist homeowners with disposals of landscaping materials. If you have any questions about uncontained pick-up, please call the Sanitation Information Line at 623-882-7615.

## Night at the Movies



### Grease

Friday, May 12  
at 7:30 p.m.

Goodyear Community  
Park, 3151 N. Litchfield Rd.

**Special prizes for best  
'50s attire.**

Free to the public. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Bring food and beverages (no glass, please) or buy from our vendor. For more information, call 623-882-7534.

## Job Opportunities

Visit the City of Goodyear website at [www.goodyearaz.gov](http://www.goodyearaz.gov) or call the City's 24-hour hotline, 623-932-1716, for job listings.

Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions.

The Human Resources Office is located at Goodyear City Hall  
190 North Litchfield Road.  
Phone: 623-882-7752.  
TTY: 623-932-6500. EEO/M/F/V/H/D.

## Cool Sounds at the Spring Concert Series

Enjoy the rhythms and riffs at the Goodyear Spring Concerts. All concerts take place at Goodyear Community Park, 3151 N. Litchfield Rd. and start at 6:30 p.m. Please bring chairs or blankets. You can bring food and beverages (no glass, please) or purchase from the concession stand. These concerts are all free. For more information, call 623-882-7534.

April 7, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

### "Rondavous"

Enjoy one of the top country acts in the valley featuring the great harmonies of dual female lead singers.

April 14, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

### "The Knee Deep Experience"

Experience the energy of this band with smooth blues and R&B.

April 21, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

### "Captain Squeegie and the Soap Suds"

Winner of Goodyear's Spring Break Teen Battle of the Bands.

April 28, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

### "Two Tone Lizard Kings"

This high energy "ska" band will bring you to your feet as the cares of the day melt away.



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